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WITHDRAWAL OF DUTIES ON MOBILE COMMUNICATION
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh regarding withdrawing basic counter healing and special duties on all parts and components for manufacturing mobile communication equipment, mobile handsets and fixed wireless terminals in the country; and

(b) if so, whether the Government have taken any action in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government has exempted parts, components and accessories of mobile handsets including that of cellular phones from basic customs duty, countervailing duty (CVD) and special additional duty (SAD).

The customs duty on parts required for the manufacture of mobile communication equipment and fixed wireless terminals are at 5% to 15%.